

COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
IN PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No: CASM-1-16373

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which patent is sought on the invention entitled:  
SECURITY ELEMENT TO PREVENT COUNTERFEITING OF VALUE DOCUMENTS  
the specification of which :

\_\_\_\_\_ was executed on \_\_\_\_\_ and filed concurrently herewith.

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XX was filed as PCT international application No. PCT/EP99/02771, on 21 April 1999.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s):

<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Day/Month/Year Filed</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u> <u>Yes/No</u>
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